

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Page 1, after the title insert the following:**

This application is the US national phase of international application **PCT/FI2003/000600** filed **12 August 2003** which designated the U.S. and claims benefit of **FR 02/10262**, dated **13 August 2002**, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

**Page 3, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following new paragraph:**

The document SI9600317A describes a seed mulch made of environmentally friendly natural material. It is made of needle mixture of coconut fibres, hay and/or straw and jute, and strengthened with a textile or net cover that is scattered with seeds and spattered with latex, celluloid glue or another binder.